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SUBJECT: DRAFTING GROUP MEETING, MAR. 26, 1975 (SALT TWO-580)

1. IN THREE AND ONE HALF HOUR SESSION MAR. 26 (A-792) DRAFTING GROUP (KLOSSON, EARLE, GRAHAM, ZEMACH, IFFT, OBOLENSKY FOR THE US; KARPOV, SMOLIN, TEREENTIEV, KRUTSHIKH AND CHURKIN FOR THE USSR) DISCUSSED US ARTICLES III.2, VI AND SOVIET ARTICLES VI, XIV.

2. THE TWO SIDES AGAIN CARRIED ON EXTENSIVE DEBATE ON CONFLICT-ING CLAIMS REGARDING AIDE-MEMOIRE TREATMENT OF ASMS.

3. TEREENTIEV ASKED FOR AND RECEIVED CONFIRMATION THAT THE FINAL ASSEMBLY FACILITY FOR BOMBERS IN US ARTICLE III.2 MEANT THE ASSEMBLY SHOP.

4. TEREENTIEV ASKED HOW THE FINAL ASSEMBLY FACILITY FORULA APPLIED TO ASMS INSTALLED ON BOMBERS SOME YEARS AFTER THE BOMBER IS BUILT. EARLE NOTED THAT WE USED BROAD TERM "FACILITY" TO COVER NOT ONLY AIRCRAFT FACTORY, BUT ALSO WHATEVER TACHNICAL FACILITY WOULD BE

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USED TO INSTALL ASMS ON BOMBERS.

5. TEREENTIEV AGAIN QUESTIONED REFERENCE TO FIXED ICBMS "UNDER CONSTRUCTION" IN US ARTICLE III.2. IT WAS AGAIN EXPLAINED THAT THIS REFERS TO POSSIBLE LAUNCHERS WHOSE CONSTRUCTION BEGAN BEFORE JULY 1, 1972 AND WHICH MIGHT STILL BE UNDER CONSTRUCTION AFTER THE NEW AGREEMENT COMES INTO EFFECT. NO SUGGESTION ON NON-COMPLIANCE WITH I.A. WAS INTENDED. SMOLIN RAISED POSSIBILITY THAT SOME LAUNCHERS NOT UNDER "ACTIVE" CONSTRUCTION AT TIME OF IA AND "WHOSE COMPLETION WAS NOT PERMITTED BY IA" WOULD BE COUNTED BY THE US DRAFT. KARPOV PROPOSED DRAFT LANGUAGE FOR AN ALTERNATIVE TO SOVIET ARTICLE VI TAKING INTO ACCOUNT PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS OF STORAGE, OVERHAUL AND CONVERSION. KLOSSON SAID WE WOULD RESPOND LATER.

6. ON TEST AND TRAINING LAUNCHERS, KARPOV PROPOSED THAT SOVIET ARTICLE XIV AND US ARTICLE VI.1 BE DISCUSSED TOGETHER ON BASIS OF INCLUSION IN DRAFT AGREEMENT, WHILE US ARTICLE VI.2 AND IA AGREED STATEMENT D, WHICH WAS IDENTIFIED AS THE SOVIET POSITION ON THIS POINT BE NEGOTIATED WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO INCLUSION IN DRAFT AGREEMENT AS AN AGREED STATEMENT. "US SIDE REJECTED PROPOSAL AND STATED THAT DISCUSSION SHOULD BE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO FINAL FORM." KARPOV AGREED.

7. NEXT MEETING APRIL THIRD, 1975.
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